

Research into the following seal:-



Research finding No. 1:-

The Governor-General Ms Quentin Bryce was asked if the seal shown above was the seal referred to in the Commission given by Queen Elizabeth II to Ms Quentin Bryce, to which an administrative assistant from Government House in Canberra replied that the seal shown above

*“is the same seal as the one that is on the Governor-General’s Commission”.*

Research finding No. 2:-

The Garter King of Arms at the College of Arms in London was asked if the seal shown above, which has been described as the Great Seal of Australia, is recognized in British law and can be used by the Queen of the United Kingdom, to which The Garter King of Arms of the College of Arms stated:-

*“The devise submitted does not incorporate any Royal Arms. These are the Armorial Bearings of the Commonwealth of Australia. Her Majesty is described as Queen of Australia on the seal and not Queen of the United Kingdom. I do not have any relevant record in my office; but I suspect the seal was approved by the Governor General acting on behalf of the Sovereign.”*

*“There are scores if not hundreds of Letters Patent of Armorial Bearings that have been issued to Australian citizens or Australian corporate bodies of which The Queen is described as Queen of Australia.”*